

**PUBLIC EDUCATION**  
The state of Connecticut has been a pioneer in the development of public education.

**LIBRARY FOUNDED 1800**  
The Library of Congress, in Washington, D. C., was established April 24, 1800.

**SALT LAKE CITY**  
Salt Lake City, Utah, was founded in 1847.

The State of Georgia grazes a million cattle and raises as many hogs.

**Stork-torials**

Among births to parents of Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City and other nearby areas in Torrance Memorial hospital last week were the following:  
Mr. and Mrs. Lee V. Bailey, 1533 214th street, a son, born May 18 at 3:19 a.m.  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gentry, 25338 Walnut street, Lomita, a son, born May 18 at 4:07 a.m.  
Mr. and Mrs. Pay E. Gregory, 146 E. 215th street, a son, born May 16 at 8:36 p.m.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutcherson, a son, born May 14 at 12:48 p.m.  
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Jensen, 1954 259th place, Lomita, a son, born May 18 at 8:07 a.m.  
Mr. and Mrs. James J. Walsh, 1331 W. 222nd street, a daughter, born May 18 at 4:35 p.m.

**OTHER RECENT BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alexander, 1441 Carson street, a daughter, born March 15.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Mason, 18333 S. Western avenue, a daughter, born March 17.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Marks, 120 Martin street, a son, born March 17.  
Mr. and Mrs. Carmel Estrada, P.O. Box 89, Harbor City, a daughter, born March 17.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Bruce, 29832 Narbonne avenue, Lomita, a daughter, born March 6.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clifford, 2125 Pacific Coast highway, Lomita, a son, born March 19.  
Mr. and Mrs. Merle Burge, P.O. Box 5, Lomita, a son, born March 19.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Skeen, 1415 Rolling Knolls Drive, Lomita, a son, born March 14.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Nakano, 22320 S. Normandie, a son, born April 1.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Vinson, 21924 Denker avenue, a son, born April 6.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith, 1668 W. 215th street, a son, born April 6.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Benson, Jr., 1664 W. 203rd street, a son, born April 7.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fukunaga, 4801 W. Torrance boulevard, a daughter, born April 2.  
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Patzkowski, 1512 W. 203rd street, a daughter, born April 2.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dudley, 1732 Cabrillo avenue, a son, born April 3.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Hatch, 21926 S. Vermont avenue, a son, born April 5.  
Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Yamamoto, 2131 245th street, Lomita, a daughter, born April 12.



**LANDING ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD . . .** at Torrance High School to pick up some special mail bags was this helicopter pictured above. Loading the bags aboard the plane during the ceremonies which observed National Air Mail Week were Lloyd Waller, (left) principal of the high school and Jack Hood, (right) student body president. Howard Higgins is the pilot. (Staff Photo).

**Helicopter Lands At High School For Mail Pick-Up**

By JACK BALDWIN

It is too bad that the helicopters which deliver mail to the cities in the South Bay area are not big enough to carry all the people who would like to ride in one. However, those of you who would like to get up in one and can't my advice is not to be disappointed. This writer had a hop in one last Monday and found it much the same as riding in a small Cub-type plane. The flight was interesting but not thrilling.  
This is National Air Mail Week and in honor of the occasion Postmaster Earl Connor arranged a weeklong program to promote the use of Air Mail. Included in his plans was a trip for me in the noon mail delivering helicopter from Redondo Beach to the athletic field at Torrance High School.  
The flight was without event and the landing was even less exciting. We merely drifted earthward, landed and got out. It is actually more spectacular from the ground than from within the aircraft.  
The plane landed at the school before the assembled student bodies of the high school and junior high school to pick up a special bag of mail. The bag contained envelopes bearing a cachet designed by Wilbur Sanderson of the high school.  
On hand to greet the plane which was flown by Howard Higgins of Manhattan Beach was Student Body President Jack Hood who loaded the plane with the special air mail.  
Runner-ups in the contest for the cachet design were Kaz Shiroyama, Roy Hayashibara, and Jack Omatzu.  
Climaxing the week's activities will be the judging today of posters designed by members of the high school art classes which are on display in the lobby of the post office.  
In spite of the fact that the air trip lacked some of the thrills anticipated I am thankful to our air-minded postmaster for being able to say that I have been up in a helicopter.

**CITY-SCHOOL BOARD UNITE IN PLAN FOR SUMMERTIME PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES**

Complete summer recreational program for the children of the city was assured through action taken by the Board of Education and the City Council Tuesday night.  
Following the recommendations of Councilman George C. Powell and Board member George P. Thatcher to their respective groups, a program drafted by Emmett Ingram, business manager of the school district, in cooperation with Dale Riley, city superintendent of recreation, was officially adopted by the Board at its regular meeting Tuesday night and was then presented to the Council by Ingram a few minutes later. The city fathers did not take official action on the measure but voiced hearty approval of the plan.

**Dust From Rail Lands Unhealthy Say Petitioners**

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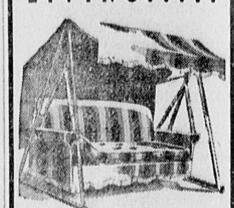
Calling for a program of organized sports activity and handicrafts for the summer months, the plan will be financed jointly by the Board of Education and the City of Torrance.  
The program the city will furnish the balls, bats, and other paraphernalia for the playgrounds at Torrance Elementary, Fern Avenue, Perry and Walteria Schools, Walteria Park and the Pueblo, and will split the salary costs of hiring a director and 10 men and women playground leaders, with the school board.  
A three man committee composed of Thatcher, Powell, and the Reverend Torbin Olson has been formed to get the plan in motion. Two more members, one from the Council and one from the Board, may be added at a future date.  
Under the program it is planned to have playground leaders at the various schools shortly after the closing date of school and continue with their day-time surveillance until the schools open in the fall. Exact dates and hours of the daily schedule will be decided upon by members of the committee.  
Total expense of the three months activity is expected to be about \$7210 of which the city will pay \$1000 for supplies and split the difference which is salary expense with the school district.  
The winds are an Act of God, but for the menace of plowed sand, with no sod coverage, we blame and censure mankind. We ask that this land be rezoned, released from farm occupancy, placed upon municipal recreational, golf or park purposes, or to the general public for residential subdivision; that we, the people, may be entitled to the proper enjoyment of home life in the City of Torrance, Calif.  
"Many people that are tax payers state that they will have to move from our city unless something is done immediately about these open plowed sand farms, to protect their health.  
"Are we building a city of permanent home owners, or are we advertising the fact that Torrance is a menace to good health?  
"We believe that the proper authorities will act upon this request and eliminate the reason for his petition, so that we may really enjoy our otherwise lovely little city."

**MEAT PRICES CLIMB**

Meat prices probably will climb in the next few weeks as packers' competition for reduced supplies of livestock increases, according to a survey released yesterday.

**SCUTTLEERS LOSE**  
Results of the game played Tuesday night at the City Park.  
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**Australian Elected President Of Rotary International**

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, May 20 (Special)—At the 39th annual convention of Rotary International, which winds up its five-day session here today, delegates representing 6,500 Rotary Clubs with a membership of 315,000 business and professional executives in 80 different countries, elected Angus S. Mitchell of Melbourne, Australia, as their president for 1948-49.  
Mitchell is a director of several manufacturing concerns in Australia. Born in Shanghai, China, he attended Scotch College in Melbourne. A founder of the Melbourne Corn Exchange, he is a director of the Melbourne Y.M.C.A., chairman of the Port Melbourne Youth Center, honorary treasurer of the Victorian Boy Scouts, and vice-president of the Austin Hospital in Melbourne.  
A Rotarian for 21 years, he is a past president of the Rotary Club of Melbourne, and has served Rotary International as director, district governor and committee member.  
Elected to Rotary's 1948-49 board of directors were Conrad Bonnevie: Svendsen, Oslo, Norway; Lauro Borba, Recife, Brazil; Jorge Fidel Duron, Tegucigalpa, Honduras; Jan V. Hyka, Prague, Czechoslovakia; Henry T. Low, Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia; J.H.B. Young, Canterbury, England and six additional directors from the United States and Canada.  
The first large international convention to be held in South America, this convention of Rotary International attracted more than 3,500 Rotarians and members of their families from some 50 different countries, including 1,500 from the United States and Canada.  
Theme of the convention was "Solidarity Through Friendship," a principle which Rotary has fostered throughout the world since its founding in 1905. In the formal convention addresses and in the informal discussion groups, emphasis was given to the contributions which Rotarians in North, South and Central America, Europe, Asia, Africa and the islands of the Pacific are making to advance the cause of world peace.  
Rotary's 1949 convention will be held in New York City, U.S.A., June 12-16.  
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